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Sen. Basham Announces Over \$68K in Grants to Homeless

LANSING—State Sen. Ray Basham (D-Taylor) today announced over \$68,000 in additional funding from the state for emergency shelter, transitional housing, and related supportive services for the homeless.

“Helping people through transitional periods is vital to economic development and growing jobs,” said Basham. “These organizations give people a hand up when times are hard.”

The Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) has awarded two Downriver organizations Emergency Shelter Grants. Community Care Services of Lincoln Park and Wayne-Metropolitan Community Action Agency of Wyandotte will receive \$25,997 and \$42,703, respectively.

Both facilities provide essential services for homeless and at-risk populations in Wayne County. With this support, Community Care Services will assist approximately 60 homeless persons in the 2006-2007 grant year, and Wayne-Metropolitan Community Action Agency is expected to assist just over 120. Both programs are coordinated through the Out Wayne County Continuum of Care.

Emergency Shelter Grant funds may be used for operating costs, essential services, homeless prevention activities, and Continuum of Care coordinating expenses. Grants awarded to eligible organizations through this process will be issued for a one-year term (June 1, 2006 - May 31, 2007). More information is available at: <http://www.michigan.gov/mshda/>

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